



## California Department of Fish and Game Deer Management Program 2005 Deer Zone Information

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And  
San Joaquin Valley and Southern Sierra Region (Fresno Office)**

**General Deer Hunting Information For The**

### **A ZONE**

**(Includes Additional Hunts G-8, G-9, G-11, G-21, M-7, MA-1, MA-3, J-1, J-10, A-24, A-25 and A-32)**

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION FOR DEER HUNT ZONE**

This information sheet has been prepared to assist deer hunters applying for, or planning to hunt in the A Zone. The following information should be useful to hunters for archery and general seasons as well as any "additional hunt" within this geographic area. The A Zone is a vast area encompassing the coastal mountain ranges and western Sacramento/ San Joaquin Valleys from just north of Los Angeles to areas north of Ukiah. Due to the expansive area, 4 Department regions have responsibility and oversight within the A Zone. For more specific information or additional questions regarding hunting in the A Zone contact one of the regional offices listed below. The regional contact information and their counties of responsibility within the A Zone (in descending order of relative deer numbers and harvest) are as follows:

**Central Coast Region (CCR), 7329 Silverado Trail, Napa, CA 94558 (707-944-5500)** encompasses Mendocino, Lake, Sonoma, Napa, Marin, western Solano, Contra Costa, Alameda, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, San Benito, Monterey and San Luis Obispo Counties.

**South Coast Region (SCR), 4949 View Ridge Avenue, San Diego, CA 92123 (858-467-4201)** encompasses Santa Barbara, Ventura and Los Angeles Counties.

**Sacramento Valley and Central Sierra Region (SV-CSR), 1701 Nimbus Road, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 (916-358-2900)** encompasses Colusa, Yolo, eastern Solano, Sacramento and San Joaquin counties.

**San Joaquin Valley and Southern Sierra Region (SJV-SSR), 1234 E. Shaw Avenue, Fresno, CA 93710 (559-243-4005)** encompasses Stanislaus, Merced, Madera, Fresno, Kings, Tulare and Kern counties.

#### **REGULATIONS**

Laws and regulations are designed to conserve wildlife and to provide for an equitable distribution of game mammals. The hunter who knows the laws and regulations can enjoy the hunting experience more. All hunters should read and be familiar with the current hunting regulations available online at:

<http://www.fgc.ca.gov/html/regs.html>

The 2005 deer hunting regulations specific for the A Zone (archery and general season) and any additional hunts are listed at the end of this sheet. To hunt deer in the A Zone, hunters must possess an A Zone deer tag. This tag is valid during the archery or general season using the appropriate method of take.

Additionally, Archery Only #1 Tags (AO#1) and Archery Only #2 Tags (AO#2) are valid during the A Zone archery or general season using archery equipment only.

Any additional deer hunts in the A Zone are listed in the Additional Deer Hunts section, below. Typically, tags for additional deer hunts are in high demand and distributed through the Department's Big Game Drawing held in June. To receive tags for many of these hunts, hunters must plan ahead and are encouraged to submit deer tag applications by late May. For information regarding deer tag application procedures and obtaining a deer tag for this area, see the Big Game Hunting Booklet, available on-line at: <http://www.dfg.ca.gov/licensing/biggame/biggamebook.html>

Successful hunters are reminded to immediately fill out both portions of the tag and permanently mark the date of kill; record the appropriate "Unit Number" for A zone tags (South-Unit 110 or North-Unit 160) where they killed their buck; attach the tag to the antlers, or ear if antlerless; have the tag validated and countersigned; and return the completed report card portion to the Department within 30 days of taking a deer.

**Note:** Following reports that lead ammunition may be contributing to lead levels documented in wild condors, the Department and other conservation groups are asking hunters in condor range (portions of Kern, Los Angeles, Monterey, San Benito, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Tulare and Ventura counties) to reduce exposure to lead bullet fragments by following a few simple steps:

- Retrieve all killed animals (including coyotes and small game) from the field,
- Hide carcasses or gut piles by burying them, covering them with brush or rocks, or placing them in an inaccessible area,
- Remove bullets and surrounding impacted tissue when leaving carcasses or gut piles in the field, or
- Use lead-free ammunition, in which case none of the above is necessary.

#### **LAND OWNERSHIP/PUBLIC LAND OPPORTUNITIES**

The A Zone is expansive and contains a mixture of both public and private lands. Remember you must obtain and have in your possession written permission to hunt on private property. Hunter trespass laws are strictly enforced. Most public land opportunity occurs on lands in the Mendocino (northern A Zone) and Los Padres (southern A Zone) National Forests (USFS), scattered parcels of BLM land, Fish and Game Wildlife Areas and numerous other local and federally controlled lands that may be open to hunting. However, due to the number of individual landholdings and expansiveness of the A Zone, there are too many to list. For information regarding USFS or BLM lands contact the following:

#### **USFS Offices:**

Los Padres National Forest, 6755 Hollister Ave., Suite 150, Goleta, CA 93117 (805-968-6640)  
Mendocino National Forest, 825 N.Humboldt Avenue, Willows, California 95988 (530-934-3316)

#### **BLM Offices:**

Bakersfield Field Office, 3801 Pegasus Drive, Bakersfield, CA 93308 (661-391-6000)  
Hollister Field Office, 20 Hamilton Court, Hollister, CA 95023 (831-630-5000)  
Ukiah Field Office, 2550 North State Street, Ukiah, CA 95482 (707-468-4000)

Wilderness lands have been established within several portions of the Los Padres National Forest. The Matillja (Ventura Co.); Dick Smith and San Rafael (Santa Barbara Co.); Machesna Mountains, Garcia, and Santa Lucia (San Luis Obispo Co.); and Ventana (Monterey Co.) Wilderness Areas are accessible by hiking and by pack stock. Public use of the wilderness is regulated by permit. Wilderness Permits may be obtained by contacting the Los Padres National Forest. No wilderness areas have been established in the A Zone portion of the Mendocino National Forest.

Additional deer hunting opportunity is provided on opening weekend of the rifle season on the Cottonwood Creek Wildlife Area in western Merced County. Single day permits are issued by drawing and can be applied for through the Department of Fish and Game's Los Banos Complex office. For additional information please contact the DFG Los Banos Complex office directly at (209) 826-0463.

In the A Zone and other zones throughout California, additional deer hunting opportunities may exist on private property licensed through the Department's Private Lands Management Program (PLM). For more information on the PLM and to obtain a list of participating ranches, go to the following link:

<http://www.dfg.ca.gov/hunting/deer/plm.html>

### **MAPS**

For general maps detailing individual zone or additional deer hunt boundaries, go to the following link:

[http://www.dfg.ca.gov/hunting/deer/deer\\_maps.html](http://www.dfg.ca.gov/hunting/deer/deer_maps.html)

The most comprehensive maps of the area are the Los Padres and Mendocino National Forest maps. USFS maps are available at all USFS offices or you can contact the USFS Pacific Southwest Regional Office at: 1323 Club Drive, Vallejo, CA 94592 (707-562-8737).

BLM surface management maps may also be useful. You can purchase these maps at BLM district offices or you can contact the BLM at 2800 Cottage Way, Suite W-1834, Sacramento, CA 95825 (916-978-4400).

U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) topographic maps, are very helpful, especially for topographic features that are not displayed on USFS or BLM maps. USGS maps may be available from sporting goods, backpacking or engineering stores or you can contact the USGS directly at: Rocky Mountain Mapping Center, Branch of Information Services, Box 25286, Denver, CO 80225 (888-ASK-USGS).

### **ACCESS/MAJOR ROADS**

In the northern portions of the A Zone the major access routes into and through the zone include: Interstates 5 and 80 and Highways 1, 101, 20, 128 and 16. In the south, major access is provided by Interstate 5 and Highways 1, 101, 33, 58, 154, 138, 41, 46 and 25.

### **WEATHER CONDITIONS/TRAVEL TIPS**

The weather in this zone can be highly variable, so BE PREPARED. The weather is usually quite hot and dry during archery and early general season, but early storms are not uncommon. The chance of snowfall during season is low except in the higher elevations in the north, however heavy rains can make many roads very difficult, if not impossible, to travel. You should be prepared with appropriate clothing and equipment for a variety of weather conditions.

The A Zone covers an extremely large geographic area. The terrain can be very steep and rugged and vegetation can be extremely dense. As you should do in all remote areas, hunters are urged to bring a shovel, a good spare tire, extra water, etc. Use care with any off-road vehicle and check with the BLM or USFS for rules and regulations regarding vehicle and travel restrictions in the area. Horses can be useful in some portions of the A Zone. However, remember that it may be necessary to carry supplemental horse feed into the back country. Contact the local USFS and/or BLM office for more information regarding forage conditions for livestock.

### **CAMPING**

There are several USFS campgrounds within the hunt zone and these are shown on USFS maps. Informal camping is allowed on USFS and BLM lands, but campfire permits are required. Permits may be obtained from any USFS, BLM or California Department of Forestry (CDF) office. During fire season, special regulations may apply and it is best to contact the local USFS, BLM or CDF office for the latest information.

Please, DO NOT camp or hunt for prolonged periods near water sources important to wildlife and livestock. Remaining for over 30 minutes and within 200 yards of an artificial water source including guzzlers or horizontal wells on public lands within California is a Fish and Game violation (Title 14, Section 730). You can pack water, wildlife can't.

The Federal Government, through the USFS, also requires a Forest Adventure Pass if you intend to park your vehicle and use the USFS public lands in the southern portion of the Los Padres National Forest for any purpose. For more information, contact the Los Padres National Forest.

### **HARVEST INFORMATION**

Information on deer harvest for this area is available in tables contained in the annual Deer Kill Reports available on-line at: <http://www.dfg.ca.gov/hunting/deer/deerhunt.html> The most useful tables for the purposes of planning or applying for hunts in this area are Tables 1b (Harvest and Success Information), 2a (Antler Class Information) and 10b (Drawing Statistics).

### **HERD CONDITIONS AND HABITATS**

The overall deer population in the A Zone is considered stable. Population trends in some areas are increasing while others are decreasing. Check with the local Fish and Game office for specific information regarding the area you plan to hunt. As with most deer herds in California and other western states, the long-term population trend has been on a steady decline since the 1960's and 1970's. These long-term declines have been due to land management practices that have precluded fire, resulting in changes toward more mature and less diverse habitats, and reduced quality and quantity of deer habitats. Short-term fluctuations in deer populations are usually attributed to weather events that affect forage production.

The subspecies of deer that inhabit the A Zone primarily include the Columbian black-tailed deer in the northern and central portions of the zone, and the California mule deer in the southern portion. Deer in the A Zone are generally considered resident deer. That is, their movement is up and down the slopes, they do not make long seasonal migrations. The deer in this area generally move to higher elevations in late spring and will remain there until the first heavy fall storms force them down below the snow line. This downward movement often occurs during the hunting season, so hunters should be prepared to move to lower areas later in the season after stormy weather. In areas where deer do not encounter snow, they generally remain local throughout the year.

The vegetation is highly varied throughout the A Zone ranging from coastal scrub along the coast areas, mixed chaparral and oak-hardwood forests in the south through mixed chaparral, oak-grassland and dense conifer forests in the north. Generally speaking, deer populations in this area respond favorably to vegetation disturbances that enhance brush species (wildfire and timber harvesting). Riparian areas (areas along watercourses), recently burned areas or clear cuts that have re-sprouted with brush are good areas to hunt. Areas where oaks are producing acorns may also attract deer. Typically, lower densities of deer are observed in the more densely forested areas or in older, more decadent brushlands.

### **HUNTING TIPS AND WHERE TO LOOK FOR DEER**

Successful hunters often spend a considerable amount of time scouting pre-season, locating individual or groups of deer, recently used deer trails, and feeding and bedding areas. You may not see many deer from the roads in this area and generally the more successful hunters do more hiking to locate deer. Binoculars and/or spotting scopes can be very helpful for locating and identifying deer at greater distances. In general, attempt to hunt areas that are away from other activities such as concentrations of hunters, vehicles, and/or livestock.

In the A Zone portion of Contra Costa, Fresno, Kern, Kings, Los Angeles, Madera, Merced, Sacramento, San Joaquin, San Mateo, Santa Cruz, Solano, Stanislaus, Tulare and Ventura counties deer habitat is limited or access extremely restricted, consequently deer populations and harvest are low.

In the A Zone portion of Alameda, Marin, San Benito, Santa Clara, Sonoma, and Yolo counties, a significant amount of deer habitat exists, however access to public land is limited, and the bulk of the deer

harvest occurs on private land.

In the A Zone portion of the following counties a more significant proportion of the deer harvest occurs on public, as well as private land. Historically, some of the more popular and productive deer hunting areas on public land are as follows (includes DFG region to contact for more information):

**Colusa County** (Sacramento Valley and Central Sierra Region): areas in the vicinity of Bear and Cache Creeks, Fouts Spring, Goat Mountain, Letts Lake, Stonyford, Walker Ridge and Wilson Valley.

**Lake County** (Central Coast Region ): areas in the vicinity of Boggs Forest, Borax Lake, Cache Creek, Cow Mountain, Deer Valley, Elk Mountain, French Ridge, Goat Mountain, High Glade, Highland Springs, Indian Valley, Mary Ann Ridge, Pine Mountain, Rice Creek and Lake Pillsbury, Walker Ridge and Wilson Valley.

**Mendocino County** (Central Coast Region ): A significant proportion is private land, however public access is allowed on Cow Mountain and the Jackson State Forest.

**Monterey County** (Central Coast Region ): areas in the vicinity of Dutra Flat, Indian Camp, Big Sur and Gorda, Marble Peak, Plasket Ridge and Williams Hill. In addition, a significant number of deer are harvested on Fort Hunter Liggett and Camp Roberts Military Reservations.

**Napa County** (Central Coast Region ): areas in the vicinity of Adams Creek, Blue Ridge, Knoxville, public lands around Lake Berryessa, Rector Reservoir and Schwartz Canyon.

**San Luis Obispo County** (Central Coast Region ): areas in the vicinity of American Canyon, Black Mountain, Branch Mountain, Caliente Mountain, Cerro Alto, Crocker Springs, Cuesta Grade, Hale Peak, La Panza, Lopez Canyon, Mt. Lowe, Quail Springs, Queen Bee, Ragged Point, Rock Front, Ruda Canyon Shaw Ridge and Snell Peak. In addition, a significant number of deer are harvested on Camp Roberts Military Reservation.

**Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties** (South Coast Region ): areas in the vicinity of Aliso Canyon, Blue Canyon, Camuesa Peak, Colson Canyon, Dry Canyon, Figueroa Mountain, Little Pine Mountain, Little Pine Spring, McPherson Peak, Miranda Pines, Monte Arido Trail, Painted Rock, Potrero Seco, Santa Barbara Canyon, Santa Cruz Peak, Sierra Madre Mountains and Three Sisters. In addition, a significant number of deer are harvested on Vandenberg Air Force Base (limited to military and DOD personnel).

For additional information about deer hunting in California, see the Department's publication "Guide To Hunting Deer In California" at the following web site:

<http://www.dfg.ca.gov/hunting/deer/deerguide.pdf>

### **ADDITIONAL DEER HUNTS**

In 2005, there are several additional deer hunts scheduled in the A Zone: G-8 (Fort Hunter Liggett Antlerless Deer Hunt); Hunt G-9 (Camp Roberts Antlerless Deer Hunt); Hunt G-11 (Vandenberg Either-Sex Deer Hunt); Hunt G-21 (Ventana Wilderness Buck Hunt); Hunt M-7 (Ventura Muzzleloading Rifle Either-Sex Deer Hunt); Hunt MA-1 (San Luis Obispo Muzzleloading Rifle/Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt); Hunt MA-3 (Santa Barbara Muzzleloading Rifle/Archery Buck Hunt); Hunt J-1 (Lake Sonoma Junior Either-Sex Deer Hunt); Hunt J-10 (Fort Hunter Liggett Junior Either-Sex Deer Hunt); Hunt A-24 (Monterey Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt); Hunt A-25 (Lake Sonoma Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt); and Hunt A-32 (Ventura/Los Angeles Late Season Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt). For general maps detailing the individual hunt area boundaries, go to the following link:

[http://www.dfg.ca.gov/hunting/deer/deer\\_maps.html](http://www.dfg.ca.gov/hunting/deer/deer_maps.html)

### **2005 ZONE AND ADDITIONAL HUNT SPECIFIC REGULATIONS**

#### **§ 360. Deer.**

Except as otherwise provided in this Title 14, deer may be taken only as follows:

(a) A, B, C, and D Zone Hunts.

(1) Zone A.

- (A) Area: Shall include all of Zone A-South Unit 110 and Zone A-North Unit 160 (see subsections 360(a)(1)(A)1. through 2.).
1. South Unit 110. In those portions of Alameda, Contra Costa, Fresno, Kern, Kings, Los Angeles, Monterey, San Benito, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, San Mateo, Santa Barbara, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Stanislaus and Ventura counties within a line beginning at the intersection of Highway 99 and the San Joaquin-Sacramento county line at Dry Creek; south on Highway 99 to Highway 166 in Kern County; west on Highway 166 to Highway 33; south on Highway 33 to Sespe Creek; east and south along Sespe Creek to Highway 126; east on Highway 126 to Interstate 5; south on Interstate 5 and 405 to Interstate 10; west on Interstate 10 to the Pacific Ocean; north on the Pacific Ocean coastline to the San Mateo-San Francisco county line; east on the San Mateo-San Francisco county line to the Alameda county line; north on the Alameda-San Francisco county line to the Contra Costa-San Francisco county line; northwest on Contra Costa-San Francisco county line to the Contra Costa-Marin county line; northeast on the Contra Costa-Marin county line to the Contra Costa-Solano county line in San Pablo Bay; east on the Contra Costa-Solano county line and the Sacramento River to the confluence of the San Joaquin River and Sacramento-Contra Costa county line; east on the Sacramento-Contra Costa county line and San Joaquin River to the confluence of the Mokelumne River and San Joaquin-Sacramento county line; northeast on the San Joaquin-Sacramento county line and Mokelumne River to the confluence of Dry Creek; east on the San Joaquin-Sacramento county line and Dry Creek to the point of beginning at Highway 99.
  2. North Unit 160. In those portions of Colusa, Glenn, Lake, Marin, Mendocino, Napa, Sacramento, Solano, Sonoma and Yolo within a line beginning at the junction of the mouth of Hardy Creek (Mendocino County) and the Pacific Ocean; east along Hardy Creek to Highway 1; north along Highway 1 to Highway 101; south along Highway 101 to Commercial Avenue in the town of Willits; east on Commercial Avenue to the Hearst-Willits Road (County Road 306); north and east on the Hearst-Willits Road to the Main Eel River; southeast on the Main Eel River to Lake Pillsbury at Scott Dam; southeast along the west shore of Lake Pillsbury and the Rice Fork of the Eel River to Forest Service Road M-10; east on Forest Service Road M-10 to Forest Service Road 17N16; east on Forest Service Road 17N16 to Forest Service Road M-10; east on Forest Service Road M-10 to Letts Valley-Fouts Spring Road; east on the Letts Valley-Fouts Spring Road to the Elk Creek-Stonyford Road (County Road 306); north on the Elk Creek-Stonyford Road to the Glenn-Colusa county line; east along the Glenn-Colusa County line to Interstate 5; Interstate 5 south to Highway 99 in the City of Sacramento; Highway 99 south to the Sacramento/San Joaquin County line at Dry Creek, west along the Sacramento/San Joaquin County line and Dry Creek to the confluence with the Mokelumne River, southwest on the Sacramento/San Joaquin County line and Mokelumne River to the confluence with the San Joaquin River and Sacramento/Contra Costa County line, west on the Sacramento/Contra Costa County line and San Joaquin River to the confluence of the Sacramento River and Solano/Contra Costa County line, west on the Sacramento River and Solano/Contra Costa County line to the Marin County line in San Pablo Bay, southwest on the Marin/Contra Costa and Marin/San Francisco county lines to the North Peninsula shoreline near the Golden Gate Bridge, west on the shoreline to the Pacific Ocean coastline, northwest on the Pacific Ocean coastline to the point of beginning.
- (B) Season: The season in Zone A-South Unit 110 and Zone A-North Unit 160 shall open on the second Saturday in August and extend for 44 consecutive days.
- (C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better, per tag.
- (D) Number of Tags: 65,000. Zone A tags are valid in Zone A-South Unit 110 and Zone A-North Unit 160.

(c) Additional Hunts.

- (5) G-8 (Fort Hunter Liggett Antlerless Deer Hunt).
- (A) Area: That portion of Monterey County lying within the exterior boundaries of the Hunter Liggett Military Reservation, except as restricted by the Commanding Officer.
- (B) Season: The season for additional hunt G-8 (Fort Hunter Liggett Antlerless Deer Hunt) shall be open Saturdays, Sundays, and the Columbus Day holiday only beginning the first Saturday in October and extend for two consecutive weekends, except if rescheduled by the Commanding Officer with Department concurrence between the season opener and December 31.
- (C) Bag and Possession Limit: One antlerless deer (see subsection 351(b)) per tag.
- (D) Number of Tags: 20 (10 military and 10 general public).
- (E) Special Conditions: In the event the Commanding Officer cancels the hunt, G-8 tagholders will only have the option of exchanging the unused tag for any remaining deer tag or receiving a refund.
- (6) G-9 (Camp Roberts Antlerless Deer Hunt).
- (A) Area: That portion of San Luis Obispo County lying within the exterior boundaries of Camp Roberts, except as restricted by the Commanding Officer.
- (B) Season: The season for additional hunt G-9 (Camp Roberts Antlerless Deer Hunt) shall open the last Monday in August and extend for 8 consecutive days, except if rescheduled by the Commanding Officer with Department concurrence between the season opener and December 31.
- (C) Bag and Possession Limit: One antlerless deer (see subsection 351(b)) per tag.
- (D) Number of Tags: 30 (15 military and 15 general public).
- (E) Special Conditions: In the event the Commanding Officer cancels the hunt, G-9 tagholders will only have the option of exchanging the unused tag for any remaining deer tag or receiving a refund.
- (8) G-11 (Vandenberg Either-Sex Deer Hunt).
- (A) Area: That portion of Santa Barbara County lying within the exterior boundaries of Vandenberg Air Force Base.
- (B) Season: The season for additional hunt G-11 (Vandenberg Either-Sex Deer Hunt) shall open on the last Monday in August and extend through December 31.
- (C) Bag and Possession Limit: One either-sex deer (see subsection 351(c)) per tag.
- (D) Number of Tags: 500 (military and Department of Defense employees only).
- (E) Special Conditions: In the event the Commanding Officer cancels the hunt, G-11 tagholders will only have the option of exchanging the unused tag for any remaining deer tag or receiving a refund.

- (12) G-21 (Ventana Wilderness Buck Hunt).



- (A) Area: That portion of Monterey County and the Los Padres National Forest within the exterior boundaries of the Ventana Wilderness Area.  
(B) Season: The season for additional hunt G-21 (Ventana Wilderness Buck Hunt) shall open on the second Saturday in November and extend for 23 consecutive days.  
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better, per tag.  
(D) Number of Tags: 25.

(20) M-7 (Ventura Muzzleloading Rifle Either-Sex Deer Hunt).

- (A) Area: All of Ventura County.  
(B) Season: The season for additional hunt M-7 (Ventura Muzzleloading Rifle Either-Sex Deer Hunt) shall open on the last Saturday in November and extend for 16 consecutive days.  
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One either-sex deer (see subsection 351(c)) per tag.  
(D) Number of Tags: 150.  
(E) Special Conditions: Only muzzleloading rifles as specified in Section 353 may be used.

(24) MA-1 (San Luis Obispo Muzzleloading Rifle/Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt).

- (A) Area: That portion of San Luis Obispo County lying within the Los Padres National Forest.  
(B) Season: The season for additional hunt MA-1 (San Luis Obispo Muzzleloading Rifle/Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt) shall open the last Saturday in November and extend for 16 consecutive days.  
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One either-sex deer (see subsection 351(c)) per tag.  
(D) Number of Tags: 150.  
(E) Special Conditions: Only archery equipment as specified in Section 354 or muzzleloading rifles as specified in Section 353 may be used.

(25) MA-3 (Santa Barbara Muzzleloading Rifle/Archery Buck Hunt).

- (A) Area: All of Santa Barbara County.  
(B) Season: The season for additional hunt MA-3 (Santa Barbara Muzzleloading Rifle/Archery Buck Hunt) shall open on the last Saturday in November and extend for 16 consecutive days.  
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better, per tag.  
(D) Number of Tags: 150.  
(E) Special Conditions: Only muzzleloading rifles as specified in Section 353 and archery equipment as specified in Section 354 may be used.

(26) J-1 (Lake Sonoma Junior Either-Sex Deer Hunt).

- (A) Area: That portion of Sonoma County within the boundaries of the Lake Sonoma Area, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE) property described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of Hot Springs Road and the COE boundary; east and south along the boundary line to the intersection with Brush Creek; west along the north bank of Brush Creek (shoreline) to the Dry Creek arm of Lake Sonoma; south along the shoreline of the Dry Creek arm to Smittle Creek; north along the COE property line to Dry Creek; east along the COE boundary across Cherry Creek, Skunk Creek, and Yorty Creek to the point of beginning.  
(B) Season: The season for additional hunt J-1 (Lake Sonoma Junior Either-Sex Deer Hunt) shall open on the first Saturday in November and extend for two consecutive days.  
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One either-sex deer (see subsection 351(c)) per tag.  
(D) Number of Tags: 25.  
(E) Special Conditions:  
1. Only junior license holders shall apply (see subsection 708(a)(2)).  
2. Tagholders shall be accompanied by an adult chaperon 18 years of age or older while hunting.  
3. Tagholders shall attend an orientation meeting the day before the opening day of the season.  
4. The use of dogs is prohibited.  
5. Boats are required for all areas west of Cherry Creek (2/3 of the hunt area). Only cartop boats are allowed to launch from the Yorty Creek access.

(32) J-10 (Fort Hunter Liggett Junior Either-Sex Deer Hunt).

- (A) Area: That portion of Monterey County lying within the exterior boundaries of the Fort Hunter Liggett Military Reservation, except as restricted by the Commanding Officer.  
(B) Season: The season for additional hunt J-10 (Fort Hunter Liggett Junior Either-Sex Deer Hunt) shall be open Saturdays, Sundays, and the Columbus Day holiday only beginning the first Saturday in October and extend for two consecutive weekends, except if rescheduled by the Commanding Officer with Department concurrence between the season opener and December 31.  
(C) Bag and Possession Limit: One either-sex deer (see subsection 351(c)) per tag.  
(D) Number of Tags: 60 (10 military and 50 general public).  
(E) Special Conditions:  
1. Only junior license holders shall apply (see subsection 708(a)(2)).  
2. Tagholders shall be accompanied by an adult chaperon 18 years of age or older while hunting.  
3. Tagholders shall attend an orientation meeting the day before the opening day of the season.  
4. In the event the Commanding Officer cancels the hunt, J-10 tagholders will only have the option of exchanging the unused tag for any remaining deer tag or receiving a refund.

(44) Conditions for Special Hunts.

- (A) When hunting on military reservations or private lands, hunters shall have in their possession a written permit signed by the landowner, which may specify where and when the permittee may hunt.  
(B) When required, tagholders shall check in and check out of designated check stations.

**§ 361. Archery Deer Hunting.**

(a) Archery Hunting With General Deer Zone Tags. Deer may be taken during the archery season only with archery equipment specified in Section 354 as follows:

- (1) Zone A.
- (A) Area: As described in subsection 360(a)(1)(A)1. through 2.
- (B) Season: The archery deer season in Zone A-South Unit 110 and Zone A-North Unit 160 shall open on the second Saturday in July and extend for 23 consecutive days.
- (C) Bag and Possession Limit: One buck, forked horn (see subsection 351(a)) or better per tag.

(b) Archery Hunting With Area-specific Archery Tags. Deer may be taken only with archery equipment specified in Section 354, only during the archery seasons as follows:

- (21) A-24 (Monterey Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt).
- (A) Area: All of Monterey County, except Fort Ord Military Reservation.
- (B) Season: The season for hunt A-24 (Monterey Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt) shall open on the second Saturday in October and extend for 30 consecutive days.
- (C) Bag and Possession Limit: One either-sex deer (see subsection 351(c)) per tag.
- (D) Number of Tags: 100.
  
- (22) A-25 (Lake Sonoma Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt).
- (A) Area: That portion of Sonoma County within the boundaries of the Lake Sonoma Area, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE) property described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of Hot Springs Road and the COE boundary; east and south along the boundary line to the intersection with Brush Creek; west along the north bank of Brush Creek (shoreline) to the Dry Creek arm of Lake Sonoma; south along the shoreline of the Dry Creek arm to Smittle Creek; north along the COE property line to Dry Creek; east along the COE boundary across Cherry Creek, Skunk Creek, and Yorty Creek to the point of beginning.
- (B) Season: The season for hunt A-25 (Lake Sonoma Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt) shall be open on Saturdays, Sundays and Mondays only, beginning on the first Saturday in October and extending for 24 consecutive days.
- (C) Bag and Possession Limit: One either-sex deer (see subsection 351(c)) per tag.
- (D) Number of Tags: 25.
- (E) Special Conditions:
  - 1. The use of dogs is prohibited.
  - 2. Boats are required for all areas west of Cherry Creek (some 2/3 of the hunt area). Only cartop boats are allowed to launch from the Yorty Creek access.
  
- (27) A-32 (Ventura/Los Angeles Late Season Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt).
- (A) Area: In those portions of Los Angeles and Ventura counties within the area described as the A Zone (see subsection 360(a)(1)(A)).
- (B) Season: The season for hunt A-32 (Ventura/Los Angeles Late Season Archery Either-Sex Deer Hunt) shall open on the second Saturday in November and extend for 23 consecutive days.
- (C) Bag and Possession Limit: One either-sex deer (see subsection 351(b)) per tag.
- (D) Number of Tags: 250.

(c) Archery Hunting with Archery Only Tags. Deer may be taken only with archery equipment specified in Section 354, during the archery seasons and general seasons as follows:

- (1) Number of Archery Only Tags Permitted. A person may obtain an archery only tag using a one-deer tag application and a second archery only tag using a second deer tag application.
- (2) Zones in Which Archery Only Tags are Valid. An archery only tag is valid for hunt G-10, and during the archery season and general season in all zones except C-1 through C-4 and X-1 through X-12.
- (3) Areas: As described in subsections 360(a) and (c).
- (4) Seasons: The archery season and general seasons are provided in subsection 361(a) above and in subsections 360(a) and (c).
- (5) Bag and Possession Limit: All bag and possession limits per zone are the same as those described in subsections 360(a) and (c).
- (d) Hunting Area Limitations. Archers not in possession of an archery only tag may hunt only in the zone, zones, or areas for which they have a general tag or an area-specific archery tag. (Refer to subsection 361(c)(2) for zones in which archery only tags are valid).
- (e) Crossbow Prohibition. Except as provided in subsection 354(j), crossbows may not be used during any archery season or during the general season when using an archery only tag.

\*\*\*\* GOOD LUCK! \*\*\*\*